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PROGRAMME FOR STUDENTS ASSESSMENT
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to undertake any programme for the assessment of students on International Standards;

(b) if so, the methodology adopted/ likely to be adopted in this regard;

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to improve the standards of students at the school leaving stage; and

(d) the extent of success achieved in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) to (d): The National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) conducts National Achievement Surveys (NAS) every three years to find out the learning outcomes of children in classes III, V and VIII. The NAS is conducted on the internationally accepted methodology of Item Response Theory (IRT).

To ensure quality outcomes in government schools, the Central government through the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), has supported States/UTs on early grade reading, writing & comprehension, and early mathematics programmes through a sub-programme namely `Padhe Bharat Badhe Bharat`, and at upper primary level and secondary level support for mathematics and science teaching learning, under the Rashtriya Aavishkar Abhiyan sub Component of SSA and Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA).

State governments/UTs administrations are financially supported by the Central government to provide on-site academic support to teachers as well as develop robust monitoring mechanisms through Block Resource Centres (BRCs) and Cluster Resource Centres (CRCs), under SSA.